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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: D. Tugbang
HIROAKI MIHARA ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3729
Appln. No.: Div. of 09/128,538 filed)	
August 4, 1998	:	
Filed: Concurrently Herewith)	
	:	
For: A LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD, A)	
SUBSTRATE FOR USE OF SUCH HEA	AD:	
AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTUR	E)	
THEREFOR	:	February 8, 2002

The Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following paragraph immediately before the first paragraph of the specification:

--This application is a divisional of application no. 09/128,538, filed on August 4, 1998.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-18, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject

matter presented therein.

REMARKS

This application is a divisional of application no. 09/128,538, filed on August

4, 1998. Claims 19-27 are pending, Claims 1-18 having been canceled. Claims 19-22 and 25 are

in independent form.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and early passage to

issue of the present application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by

telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below

listed address.

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